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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:)	
Noethe et al.)	Group Art Unit 1753
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Application Serial No. 09/763,481)	Examiner:
)	Rodney Glenn McDonald
Filed: April 23, 2001)	
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Title: METHOD FOR PRODUCING AN)	Attorney Docket 1-15247
ELECTROCHROMIC COATING)	

December 5, 2002

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Honorable Sir:

This is in response to the Examiner's Action dated August 5, 2002, received in the above-identified application.

Please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel pending claims 1 to 11, inclusive.

Please add the following new claims:

14. (New) A process for the production of an electrochromic coating on a substrate by cathode sputtering of a target in a coating atmosphere containing a noble gas and hydrogen ions, wherein at least one gaseous hydrocarbon is added to the coating atmosphere in order to reduce the blind charge of the electrochromic coating.

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